Minors arrested in Jammu and Kashmir

593. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALA RIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of persons arrested or detained in Jammu and Kashmir are minors below sixteen years; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to consider their cases on compassionate grounds and release them on personal bonds/security of good conduct etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRl SUBODH KANT SAHAY); (a) No, Sir.

(b) The State Government is reviewing all cases of detention and is taking a compassionate view considering all aspects of detention when such a case comes up.

Consultation with trade unions on the workers participation in management

594. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether the consultations with the Trade Unions in regard to workers participation in the management are over;

(b) what is their view on the procedure of labour's participation;

(c) whether they have agreed for ballot or verification of membership procedure; and

(d) whether managements have agreed to 25 per cent labour's participation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN); (a) to (d) A national seminar on Workers' Participation in Management was held in January, 1990. The seminar was attended by, *inter alia,* reproeentatives of central trade union organisations and employers' organisations. This was fol lowed by regional seminars held in Kan pur, Trivandrum, Madras, Indore and Bombay. Based on the consensus of opi nion expressed in these seminars, the Par ticipation of Workers in Management Bill was prepared and introduced in Rajya Sabha on May 30, 1990. A number of notices have been received from Members of Parliament seeking to amend various provisions of the Bill. No formal con sultation lias been held by the Government with organisations of workers or employers after the introduction of the Bill in Parlia ment.

People killed in Ayodhya

595. SHRI S. S AHLUWALIA:

SHRl PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA;

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of people were killed and injured in Police firing and lathi charge in October, 1990 at the time of Kar Seva at Ayodhya in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof including the extent of loss to property;

te) whether Government have paid any compensation to the dependents of those killed by police- and

(d) if so, the details of the compensation paid and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY); (a) and (b) According to Government of UP, 16 persons were killed in the incident at Ayodhya on 30th October and November 2, 1990. Out of those killed, 8 are from UP, two from West Bengal, 1 each from Rajasthan and Bihar, 4 bodies could not be identified.

(c) and (d) The State Government of UP has taken a decision that compensatioa to the dependents of those killed

would be paid @. One lakh each. The persons who were seriously injured would be given Rs, Four thousand and those who received minor injuries would be given Rs. One thousand each as financial assistance. In addition to this, suitable compensation would also be given to those whose properties have been damaged/ destroyed in October and November incidents.

Alleged assault on Babri Masjid

596. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI; SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA;

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there was an attempted assault on Babri Masjid ,and whether any damage was done to the Masjid on the 30th October or so;

(b) the number of persons killed during the above period and whether it is a fact that the para-military forces were unable to stop fanatics attacking the religious place;

(c) whether the State Government failed in its attempt to anticipate the intentions of the fanatics on both sides and to adopt suitable measures; and

(d) what preventive action Government have taken to preserve the Masjid from the onslaught?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINTSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) According to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh, a violent mob attempted to enter the disputed shrine. Despite action by police, some elements managed to enter the dis-puted site They were soon pushed out by the police. The State Govt, has reported that some damage was caused to the outer walls of the Masjid. Attempts were also made to damage its domes

According to the State Government 16 persons were killed in the firing incidents at Ayodhya on October 30 and November 2.

(d) Suitable steps have been taken by the State Government to provide the requisite security cover to the Masjid for preserving it from onslaughts.

Issue of Industrial Licences

597. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large num ber of Industrial licences were issued by Government during the last week of Octo ber and first week of November, 1990:

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government proposes to make an inquiry into the circumstances of issuing licences by flouting rules and esta-blished practices; and

(d) if so, by when the inquiry would be completed and if not. the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THI: PRIME MINISTERS OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) and (b) During the period 22.10.1990 to 9.11.1990 a total of 27 Industrial Licences and 37 Letters of Intent were issued. The details of these Licences/Letters of Intent are contained in the Annexures. *[See* Appendix CI VI. Annexure No. 20]

(c) The Industrial Licences and Letters of Intent in question have been issued after following the prescribed rules and procedures. However, the details of these licences are being reviewed.

(d) Does not arise

Political process to solve Punjab problem

598. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased *to* state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have initiated political process to solve the Punjab problem;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and